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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

John F. ARACKAPARAMBIL et al.

Serial No. 09/363,966 : Group Art Unit: 2125

Filed: July 29, 1999 : Examiner: Garland, S.

For: Computer Integrated Manufacturing Techniques

Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.312

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Examiner is thanked for allowing the above-identified application. While reviewing the file history of the above-identified application, Applicants noticed that an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on September 20, 2000, its corresponding Form 1449, and two references cited therein were not considered by the Examiner.

Exhibit A is a copy of the postcard filed along with the IDS. It is stamped by OIPE as received on September 20, 2000. The IDS, its corresponding Form 1449 filed on September 20, 2000, are attached hereto as Exhibit B.

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider the cited references, properly initial the Form 1449 to evince that the Examiner has considered the references, and return the initialed Form 1449 to Applicants.

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AUTHORIZATION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required for this Amendment, or credit any overpayment to deposit account no. 08-0219. In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to deposit account no. 08-0219.

Respectfully submitted,

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